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COMMISSION PLAN TO SETTLE BORDER DISPUTE FAVORED

Informal Negotiations
Reported as "Progress-
ing Favorably."

ARRONDONO AGAIN CONFERS WITH POLK

Scheme of Action for Permanent
Relief of Conditions Will
Be Formulated.

FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT SOON

Whole Subject, Including Financial
Stress in Mexico, to Be
Reviewed.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Informal negotiations for settlement of border disputes between the United States and the de facto government of Mexico are "progressing favorably," Acting Secretary Polk said today, after his second conference with Eliseo Arrondono, Mexican ambassador-designate.

Steps now being taken, it is understood here, foreshadow appointment of commissioners by each government to formulate a plan of action for the permanent relief of border conditions.

Mr. Arrondono has not disclosed what his instructions are, but from other sources it has been learned that the commission plan was favored by General Carranza and his advisors, and would not be opposed at the State Department.

A formal announcement is expected soon.

General Carranza's latest note said the reasonable anxiety of the United States, on the one hand, over the security of its borders and the feeling of the de facto government, on the other, that the continued presence of American troops in Mexico menaced friendly relations, constituted the problem to which a solution must be found.

It is believed probable that the whole subject, including the financial stress in Mexico would be reviewed, in order that some more far-reaching plan might be proposed than one embracing conditions only.

MAY ORGANIZE GUARDSMEN INTO TACTICAL UNITS

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., July 12.—Army officers here were convinced today that the coming of Major-General Bliss, assistant chief of staff, would result in organization of the national guardsmen into tactical units. Fifty thousand of the State troops now are near the border, but with the exceptions of the divisions from New York and Pennsylvania, the big addition to the Federal army is listed in units from brigades to companies. General Bliss will make a study of this service, and will supervise the concentration of the scattered units on a divisional basis.

Such action is in line with the suggestion of General Funston, who recommended to the War Department a few weeks ago the division of the border command into three parts, each part to be commanded by a major-general.

Strengthening of the border patrols, especially that in the Big Bend district, was well under way today. Two battalions of Pennsylvania Infantry from El Paso, and one squadron of Texas Cavalry, now at Laredo, were prepared to move to Marathon, from where they will be sent to the Rio Grande. Four companies of engineers were sent to Brownsville, Laredo and Eagle Pass. A searchlight company, one of the army's more recent acquisitions, also left for border service today.

U. S. DEPUTY MARSHAL HELD BY MEXICANS

NOGALES, ARIZ., July 12.—W. H. Schwelb, held here in connection with an alleged violation of the neutrality laws, escaped across the Mexican border today, and Brad Duncan, a deputy United States marshal, who pursued him, was arrested by Mexican authorities and is being held in Nogales, Sonora.

Schwelb, who claimed to be a former German army officer, was walking near the line in Duncan's custody when suddenly he jumped across the frontier, boarded a waiting railway motor car and made his escape to the south, while a Mexican soldier detained Duncan.

Colonel Sage, Commanding the United States troops, immediately instituted negotiations for the release of the deputy marshal.

"COLD" LIGHT DISCOVERED

Makes Possible Substitution of Paper
Rolls for Celluloid Films in
Moving-Picture Machines.

PARIS, July 12.—The substitution of paper rolls for celluloid films in moving-picture machines, made possible by the new "cold" light discovered by the French engineer, Dussaud, which is described to the Academy of Science by Professor Branley, with whom Dussaud studied the new light, is obtained by automatic separation of heat rays from luminous rays which occur together in all sources of light hitherto known to science.

The quest of an absolutely pure light, devoid of all heat, long has been one of the great problems of modern physics. The electric light is the nearest approach to this ideal, but far from it, as it gives off a certain amount of heat.

Mr. Dussaud has been working on this problem for many years. The light obtained by his method is so intense that it is possible to throw images from newspaper illustrations, picture postcards and photographic print on a screen even in a lighted room as clearly and sharply as if they were glass lantern slides.

MAN-EATING SHARK GETS TWO BATHERS

Twelve-Year-Old Boy Devoured,
and Man Who Goes to His
Aid Dies of Injuries.

ANOTHER BOY ALSO ATTACKED

Sea Monster Claims Victims in
Arm of Raritan Bay, Near
Matawan, N. J.

MATAWAN, N. J., July 12.—Lester Stillwell, twelve years old, was killed by a man-eating shark while bathing in an arm of Raritan Bay near here this afternoon. Stanley Fisher, twenty-four years old, who went to his aid, was so badly injured in a struggle with the sea monster that he died while being taken to a Long Branch hospital. Joseph Dunn, twelve years old, bathing some distance away in the same inlet, was attacked by a shark, and one of his legs was so lacerated it probably will have to be amputated.

This is the third time within two weeks that sharks have claimed the lives of bathers along the New Jersey coast. Charles E. Vansant, a youth of Philadelphia, was killed by one off Beach Haven, N. J., on July 1. Charles Bruder, of Spring Lake, N. J., was attacked and both his legs taken off by a shark on July 6. He died while being carried ashore.

SHARK ATTACKS MAN WHO GOES TO RESCUE

A dozen or more boys, who also were bathing in the inlet, heard Stillwell's screams for help. Fisher, who was standing on the bank, went to the rescue. He had gone only a few feet when the shark attacked him, tearing a piece out of one thigh.

In spite of his wound Fisher caught the boy up in his arms and had started for shore when the shark renewed the attack. Burdened as he was, Fisher was helpless, and the shark snapped off his leg. Fisher released his hold on Stillwell and he himself sank beneath the surface, unconscious. Heedless of the danger, another boy sprang into the inlet and dragged Fisher out. No trace of young Stillwell was found, and it is believed he was devoured by the shark. The Dunn boy, according to persons who were standing on the bank of the inlet, also was attacked soon after going into the water. An elder brother and another boy went to his rescue. They succeeded in driving off the shark, but not until after the younger Dunn's leg had been torn almost to shreds from the knee down. He is expected to recover.

TO OPEN BRANCH IN CHICAGO

Chairman McCormick, of Democratic
National Committee, Announces
Headquarters.

CHICAGO, July 12.—Branch national campaign headquarters will be opened in Chicago and, in all probability, on the Pacific Coast. Vance McCormick, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, announced here today. The Chicago headquarters will be opened on August 1.

"I am working on the selection of the campaign committee," Mr. McCormick said, "and expect to have it ready in a few days."

Chairman McCormick declared the Democratic national ticket would receive the support of all Progressives who sincerely believed in fighting for principles, and who would never renege on the Republican ranks as long as the party is controlled by reactionary influences.

AMERICAN SHIP HITS MINE

The Gold Shell, Oil Laden, Kept
Afloat While Being
Lightered.

PARIS, July 12.—The American steamship Gold Shell, with a cargo of oil, struck a mine on Monday night and was badly damaged. She was kept afloat until she entered the mouth of the Gironde, where she is being lightered.

The Gold Shell struck the mine at a point twenty miles west of the island of Cordouan, off the mouth of the Gironde. The forward part of the hull was partly wrecked.

The Gold Shell, Captain Hayes, sailed from New Orleans June 29, and Newport News June 27, for Bordeaux.

LYMAN TAKEN TO ATLANTA

Will Serve Sentence of Eighteen Months
for Using Mails to
Defraud.

NEW YORK, July 12.—Dr. John Grant Lyman was taken to the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., today to serve a sentence of eighteen months for using the mails to defraud customers of a brokerage firm he conducted in this city under the name of John H. Putnam & Co. After the completion of the term in Atlanta, he will be taken to California, it was said, to serve a term of fifteen months for the operation of a Panama land swindling scheme.

GERMANS ATTACK CALAIS

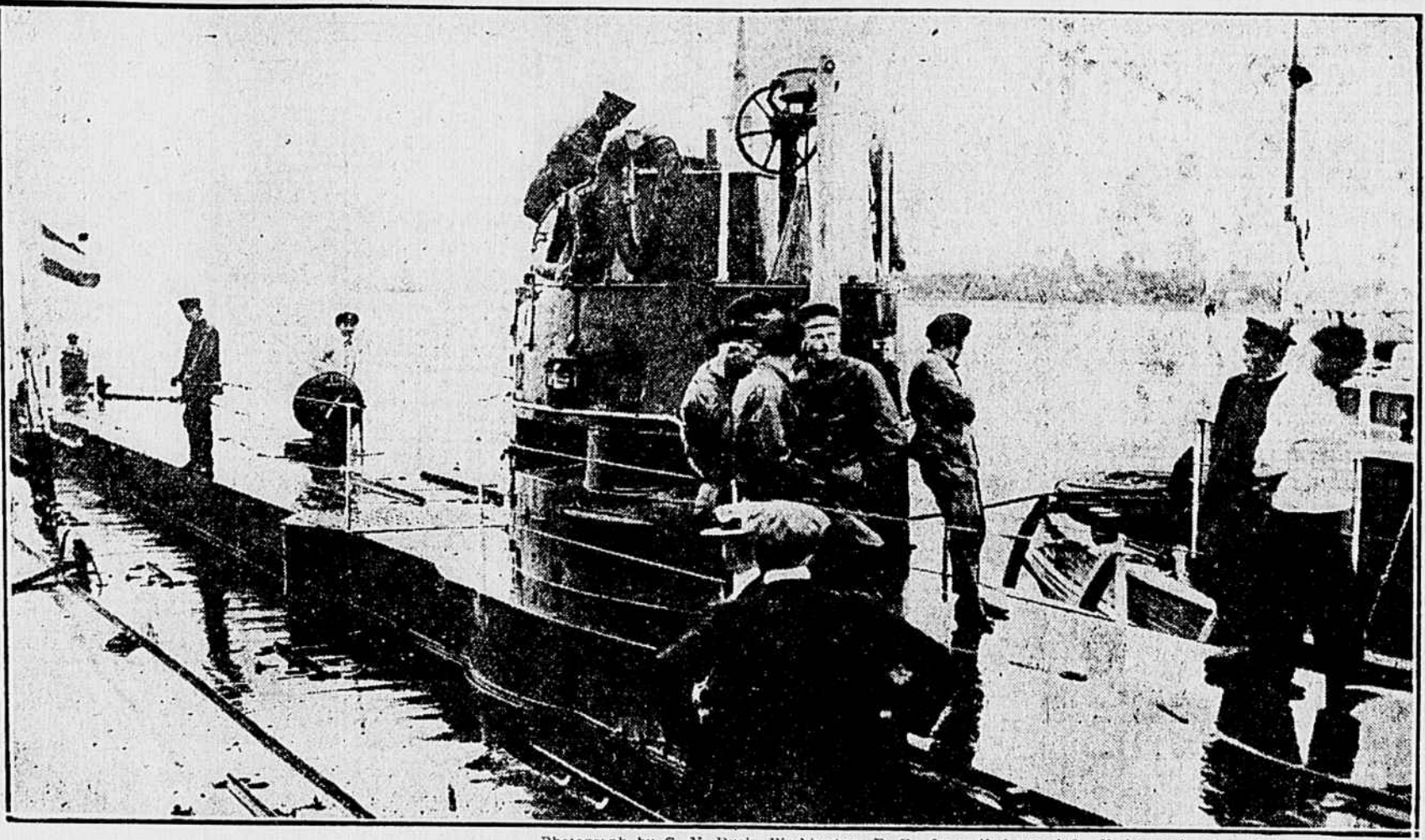
Aeroplanes Drop Bombs on Channel
Port and on Army En-
campments.

BERLIN, July 12 (by Saxville).—Two German aeroplanes made an attack on the channel port of Calais on Monday night, it was announced officially today. They dropped bombs on the port and on army encampments.

The Admiralty gave out the following:

"Two German naval aeroplanes on the night of July 10-11 dropped bombs on Calais and the troop camps at Bray-Dunes (near the Belgian frontier). The aeroplanes returned undamaged."

HAIG'S FORCES GAIN CONTROL OF MAMETZ WOOD POSITION



The conning tower of the Deutschland, from which her movements are guided, is very much like those of naval submarines. The photograph gives a good view of the deck of the U boat. Part of the crew is shown on the deck.

WORK TO ISOLATE GERM OF INFANTILE PARALYSIS

Scientists Testing Culture, in Which
They Believe They Will
Find Traces.

PHYSICIANS MEET TO-NIGHT

Feeling of Optimism in New York
Health Department as Fewer Cases
Are Reported—No New Areas In-
fected With Disease.

NEW YORK, July 12.—While Health Commissioner Emerson declined to-night to discuss the report that a New York physician had succeeded in isolating the germ of infantile paralysis, great importance was attached by medical men to the meeting of physicians to-morrow night, which will be devoted to a discussion of the disease which has cost more than 251 lives in this city since the epidemic began. Among the speakers will be Dr. Simon Flexner, of the Rockefeller Foundation, who is devoting his energies to a study of infantile paralysis. It was semi-officially admitted that scientists have progressed so far that they are testing a culture in which they believe they will find traces of the germ and ultimately isolate it.

There was a feeling of optimism in the Health Department today. Fewer cases were reported than yesterday; no new areas were infected.

HEALTH OFFICERS ASKED TO REPORT ON CASES

Health officers of Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, Buffalo, Albany, and other cities have been asked to report any persons who go to these cities from infected areas in New York and develop the disease there. No further restrictive measures will be imposed in this city at present, Dr. Emerson said.

Dr. John Dill Robertson, health commissioner of Chicago, who came here today to investigate the situation, declared his department had not been called upon to treat an unusual number of cases of infantile paralysis.

During the twenty-four hours pre- ceding 10 o'clock this morning, sev- enteen deaths from the disease were reported in the five boroughs of New York City. There were 142 new cases.

SOME CASES FOUND IN OTHER RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

The spread of the disease is generally around the centers in South Brooklyn and the lower East Side of Manhattan, where the epidemic has flourished since its development early in June. Some cases, however, have been discovered in the other sections of Brooklyn, and a few in the upper residential districts of Manhattan.

The Mayor stated that the city has facilities sufficient to handle all the cases thus far reported, and that there are in the hospitals 400 more beds available for patients, while there is plenty of ambulances and nurses.

Warnings against a panic were issued by the Mayor and by the health commissioner. The latter said the fatalities from infantile paralysis had not been nearly so great as from other epidemics. He pointed out that in the last epidemic of measles here there were from 600 to 800 cases a day, while the mortality ranged from 20 to 50 per cent. More lives were lost and more permanent injuries resulted from measles last year than will ensue from this outbreak of infantile paralysis, the commissioner said.

Pending the action of Congress upon the request of Secretary McAdoo for an appropriation of \$135,000 to enable the Public Health Service to investigate the spread of the disease, that service is continuing to advise the local authorities.

The Most Delightful Water Trip in America.
UP CHESAPEAKE BAY TO BALTIMORE.
YORK RIVER LINE. New and palatial
steamers. A restful and refreshing over-
night trip.—Adv.

Begin Preparations for Return Voyage of Supersubmarine

Captain Expects to Sail
"Within Ten Days" With
Cargo of Rubber
and Nickel.

BALTIMORE, July 12.—That plans were afoot rapidly to reload the supersubmersible Deutschland and slip her out speedily on her return voyage to Germany was indicated to-night. A special permit was obtained for continuing the unloading of the vessel to-night, and it was expected she would be ready by to-morrow to begin taking on a cargo of nickel and rubber.

No one in authority would say when the vessel would depart, and the only positive statement in that connection was contained in Captain Koenig's declaration to the local customs officers that he expected to sail "within ten days." The tug Thomas F. Timmons completed repairs to-day and took up a position directly in front of the Deutschland. When the Timmons entered dry dock, it was reported that she was getting ready to return to the Virginia capes to convoy into the Chesapeake, as she did the Deutschland, the submarine Bremen, which is said to be four days on her way to this country.

CLEARANCE PAPERS MAY NOT BE MADE PUBLIC

The air of mystery surrounding all discussion of the Deutschland's departure was deepened to-day by reports that her clearance papers may not be made public when filed, thus preventing advance notice of her leaving being obtained.

Conferences here between representatives of the Ocean Navigation Company and of the Grupp Steel Company and Simon Lake, inventor of the submarine, have given rise to reports that a company was in process of formation for the purpose of carrying on under-sea commerce between this country and Germany, and that Mr. Lake had been invited to accept the position of consulting engineer.

While no official announcement could be obtained from Paul G. L. Helken, the American representative of the submarine interests, it is understood that plans for the new venture will be sent back to Germany on the Deutschland. Mr. Lake is said to have reached a satisfactory agreement with the owners of the Deutschland, and to have abandoned any intention of libeling the vessel.

FINAL RULING ON ADVISE OF NEUTRALITY BOARD

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Although State Department officials virtually are convinced that the German submarine Deutschland is strictly a merchant vessel, the advice of the neutrality board probably will be sought before a final ruling is made.

Acting Secretary Polk indicated today that the ruling would not be delayed and may be announced to-morrow. It is understood he considers that there is nothing lacking to establish the Deutschland's status as a peaceful merchantman, and desires to consult the neutrality board only in order to give added weight to the department's formal decision.

TO RELEASE PRISONERS

Advisory Committee Recommends Ac-
tion in Cases of Men Arrested
in Ireland.

LONDON, July 12.—The advisory committee appointed to consider the cases of men arrested in Ireland during the recent rebellion and still under detention, has recommended the release of 460 of them.

This recommendation will be given effect immediately, according to a dispatch sent by the department to-day to the American consul at Bremen, inquiring why he did not confidentially advise the Washington government of the sailing of the Deutschland.

JUDGE PRENTIS REGARDED EASLEY AS COMPETENT

Wrote Examiner's Father in March
He Would Be Disposed to
Support Him.

EFFICIENT, SAID CARTER GLASS

Benjamin Watkins Leigh Takes Issue
With Attorney-General Pollard
With Respect to Responsibility for
Reporting Commissioner's Funds.

As late as March 17, 1916, Judge Prentiss, of the State Corporation Commission, one of the three members of the State Tax Board which last Friday removed Examiner James S. Easley from office, declared in a letter to Mr. Easley's father that he knew the Sixth Circuit examiner of records to be a diligent officer.

In a letter to Governor Stuart, dated March 23, Congressman Carter Glass, of Lynchburg, wrote, referring to Examiner Easley: "I happen to know that he recently performed the duties of his position with great firmness and fidelity in the face of singularly embarrassing circumstances."

It has been common knowledge that the "embarrassing circumstances" under which Mr. Easley labored at Lynchburg grew out of his assessment of omitted taxes against Craddock, Terry & Co., large shoe manufacturers, John W. Craddock, head of the firm, being his uncle. Friends of Mr. Easley made public yesterday the letters of Judge Prentiss and Representative Glass, but in deference to the Governor's request when permission for its publication was sought last week, the letter that Governor Stuart wrote to Mr. Glass in reply was not released.

GOVERNOR INDICATED JUSTICE WOULD BE DONE

While the Governor's letter was not available, it has become known that he informed Mr. Glass of his own personal knowledge of the embarrassment that confronted Mr. Easley in the performance of his duties in Lynchburg, and indicated that full justice would be accorded the examiner by the State Tax Board.

From the tenor of these letters from Governor Stuart and Judge Prentiss, written a little more than three months ago, there was nothing to foreshadow the action in which they participated last week. The publication of the correspondence yesterday muddled still further a situation which was everywhere acknowledged to be sadly in need of a clarifying statement by the Tax Board. This will probably not be forthcoming until Governor Stuart returns from his Russell County home late this week or early next.

On March 23, 1916, Congressman Carter Glass wrote to the Governor as follows:

Hon. H. C. Stuart, Executive Office,
Richmond, Va.:
Dear Governor,—I am inclosing copy of a letter received by me to-day from E. R. Monroe, of Campbell County, Va., in behalf of the retention of James S. Easley as an examiner of records. My own observation and experience lead me to believe that Mr. Easley has performed the duties of his position with exceptional efficiency and courtesy. Indeed, I happen to know that he recently performed the duties of his position with great firmness and fidelity in the face of singularly embarrassing circumstances. I venture to express a hope that Mr. Easley may be retained in his position as examiner.

STUART WOULD RELEASE REPLY TO CARTER GLASS

When Mr. Easley sought last Saturday—today after his removal from office—to secure the Governor's permission to make public his reply to Mr. Glass, it was not released.

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RETAKE GROUND LOST TO GERMANS ON TUESDAY NIGHT

Teuton Attacks Against
Contalmaison Are Re-
pulsed by Allies.

NOTABLE ACTIVITY IN VERDUN SECTOR

Crown Prince's Troops Driven
Back in Attacks Near
Dead Man's Hill.

ITALIANS PUSH OFFENSIVE

Austrians, According to Unofficial
Report From Paris, Evacuate
Tolmino.

Fighting desperately in the face of determined German attacks, the forces under General Haig succeeded on Wednesday in gaining control of the entire Mametz wood, which had been entered the previous night by the Germans. In the same region, north of the Somme, the British made some progress in the Trones wood and repulsed two heavy attacks against Contalmaison. The Germans are reported to have lost heavily in their attacks on Trones wood.

The French and German forces south of the Somme apparently are resting, as there has been almost no activity in the region of Picardy since the first of the week.

Around Verdun, however, and especially on the right bank of the Meuse, bitter and heavy fighting is in progress. The Germans, following up their success in the region of the Damloup battery, have undertaken a strong offensive toward Fort Souville, the possession of which would strengthen their position for a further advance on Verdun.

GERMAN GAINS AT COST OF ENORMOUS LOSSES

Attacking in mass formation from the village of Fleury and the Chapelle and Vaux woods, the Germans gained ground at the intersection of the Fleury and Vaux roads. The gain, however, Paris asserts, was made at the cost of "enormous losses." Violent bombardments continue in the region of Souville, Chenols and La Laufee. There was relative calm on the left bank of the Meuse.

The fierce fighting which has marked the Russian advance across the Stokhod River toward Kovel appears to have quieted down. Petrograd says there has been fighting on this sector, but mentions only two minor attacks by the Germans, which, it adds, were repulsed. There has been some activity north of the Stokhod region, but in Bukovina and Galicia the advance of General Brusiloff's troops seem to have halted for the moment.

CAPTURE OF MAMAKATHUM REPORTED BY RUSSIANS

The Russians have met with success in Armenia, and report the capture of Mamakathum, fifty miles west of Erzerum and about the same distance from Erzingan, the objective of the Russian drive in this direction. The Turkish forces, in retreating from the town, which was taken by assault, set it on fire.

Fighting continues at isolated points on the Austro-Italian front, and Rome reports some successes in the Adige Valley and the recapture in part of positions on Monte Corno. There were artillery bombardments by both sides at other points on this front. Vienna claims the repulse of a strong Italian attack on Monte Rasto, south of the Sugna Valley.

REPULSE TWO GERMAN ATTACKS AGAINST CONTALMAISON

LONDON, July 12.—The British have retaken the ground lost last night to the Germans, according to the official statement issued to-night, and now hold all of Mametz wood. Two German attacks against Contalmaison were repulsed.

The text reads:

"The day was marked by sharp local fighting in certain areas of Mametz wood. We recaptured all the ground lost last night, and now hold the whole wood."

"We also made some progress in Trones wood. The very large number of German dead in this vicinity shows the costliness of their attack last night."

GERMANS PUSH FORWARD ON RIGHT BANK OF MEUSE

BERLIN, July 12 (via London).—German troops on the right bank of the River Meuse yesterday pushed forward their positions to a point nearer Souville and the Laufee works, taking thirty-nine officers and 2,106 men, says the official statement issued to-day by the German army headquarters staff.

The statement follows:

"The fighting which began on the afternoon of July 10 on both sides of the Bapume-Albert road, near Contalmaison and in Mametz wood, as well as new fighting in Trones wood and south thereof, is continuing with bitter stubbornness."

"South of the Somme the French suffered a severe check in a great attack which they prepared on the Belloy-Soyecourt front. The attack